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Only grade II contact ore where the ore was translocated by shipment to Lengefeld. The rate of shipments was [redacted] railroad carloads per day. The framework of the new building erected at the Friesen ore storage plant was completed, and only interior installation work was going on. It appeared that the scheduled construction of a cable railway from Zobes/Bergen to Friesen had been postponed. It was learned that all grade III contact ore and probably also grade IV ore was sent to [redacted] Bahnhof, where it was shipped by rail to [redacted].

2. In the Bergen mining area, work was still concentrated on gallery boring activities in gallery No 151 of Mine No 254.¹ There were no indications that mining facilities would be enlarged in this area. During the reported period, a total of 350 workers were assigned to the Bergen mine. Production targets fixed for the installation had not been met. The monthly work norm fixed for the installation was the exploitation of 350 meters of ore gallery and the boring of 250 meters of gallery in search of ore lodes. The monthly ore production target was 2,500 boxes of ore, probably grade III ore. High bonuses were paid for grade IV ore.

3. In May 1955, the output of Mine No 254 at Bergen was as follows:

contact ore of grade IV :	49 boxes
" " " " III :	2,000 "
" " " " II :	about 200 tons
" " " " I :	" 1,000 tons

4. From a radiometrist (ore tester) it was learned that some of the contact ore of grade IV mined in the Zobes area was of such good quality that one box of this ore was the equivalent of 20 to 30 boxes of grade III ore. Mining and gallery boring activities

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proceeded rapidly in the area in direct proportion to the good ore finds there. During the reported period, Mine No 362 was sunk to a depth of 480 meters. In order to accelerate ore hoisting activities, four hoisting cages were installed at Mine No 277. It was learned from mine personnel at Zobes that all ore lodes in the area run from northwest to southeast and are inclined at an angle of 60 to 70°. Ore lodes are interspersed with slate which is said to include much pitchblende. Efforts were being made to open up the ore deposits of the Zobes area also from the direction of Bergen. This also indicates an intention of accelerating ore mining activities in the area.

5. On the basis of special bonuses paid, it was inferred that the monthly ore production continued to be from 12,000 to 15,000 boxes of grade III ore. The output of contact ore of grade IV was also said to be very high and the value of the latter type ore reportedly exceeded the entire output of grade III ore. The output of grade II and I ore was relatively small and was estimated at about 2,000 and 10,000 tons per month respectively.
6. The following geographical data were furnished for mines of Kombinat Schneckenstein:

Mine No 241 (May Mine)

Surface (Rasensohle) at :	846 meters
right coordinate :	31,770
upper " :	85,770

Mine No 252 (Youth Mine)

Surface (Rasensohle) at :	846 meters
right coordinate :	30,380
upper " :	86,210
depth of lowest level :	500 meters below sea level

Mine No 244 (Schneckenstein)

Surface (Rasensohle) at :	810 meters
right coordinate :	32,105
upper coordinate :	85,310

Mine No 347 (Central Mine)

Surface (Rasensohle) at :	852 meters
right coordinate :	32,150
upper coordinate :	85,970

The interval of error for the measurements given may be + 10 meters.
The mines mentioned were interconnected below ground.

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The data [REDACTED] which were believed to form a unit of [REDACTED] follows:

Mine No 344 (Wood Mine)

Surface at	:	777 meters
right coordinate	:	30,795
upper coordinate	:	87,055
depth of lowest level:		590 meters below sea level

Mine No 343 (Lake Mine)

Surface at	:	819 meters
right coordinate	:	31,690
upper coordinate	:	86,950
depth of lowest level:		590 meters below sea level

The two mines were also interconnected [REDACTED] section to the other mines of the Schneckenstein [REDACTED]

7. The activities of the geological test mine at Schoenbrunn proceeded according to schedule. During the reported period work on trial pits No 37 and 59 was discontinued. The geological test mine thereafter included the following trial pits: No 57, 58, 19, 60, 61, 62, and 37.

1. Comment. For status of gallery construction work at Mine No 254 on the 366 and 306 levels, see Annexes 1 and 2.

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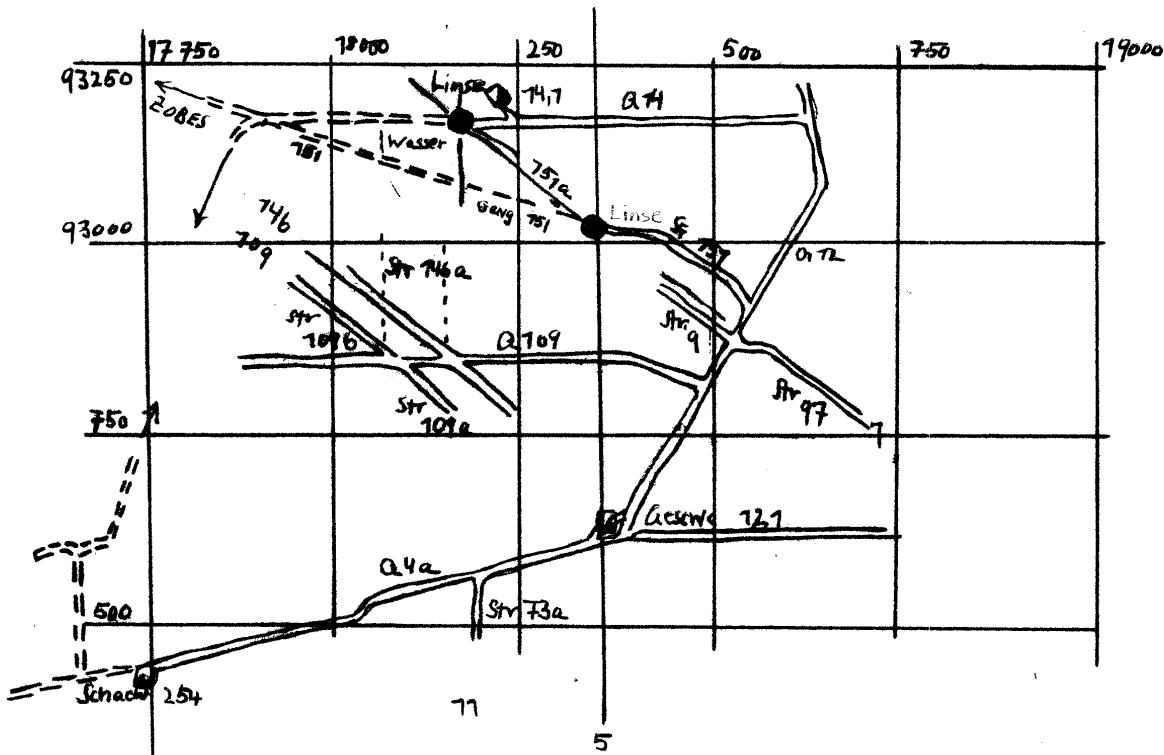
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Schacht 254

366 m NN-Sohle



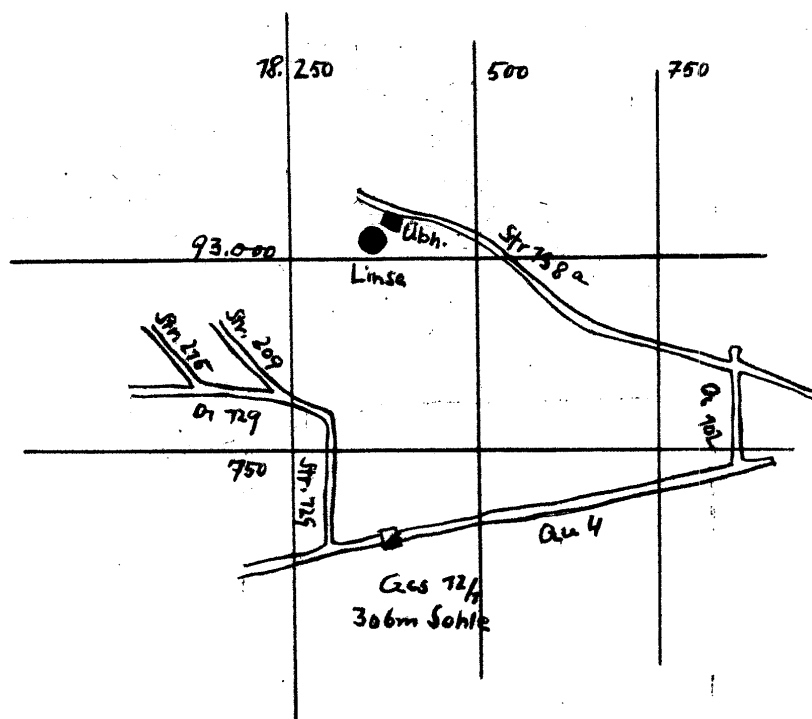
Legend: As of 6 June 1955

- old galleries
 - - - - - galleries advanced during
 the period under observation

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Schacht 254
306 m NN - Sohle

As of 6 June 1955



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